

**BOROUGH OF ROCKY HILL  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
April 5, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill was called to order by Mayor Edward Zimmerman at 7:30 PM followed by the salute to the Flag.

**NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

The following statement was read into the record by Mayor Zimmerman: This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting was included in a list of meetings transmitted to the Courier News and Somerset Spectator on January 6, 2010. Notice remains continuously posted as to required notices under the Statute. A copy of this notice is available to the public and is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Jim Banks-present, Mr. Jeff Donahue-present, Ms. Linda Goldman-present, Ms. Julia Hasser-present, Mr. Mark Pausch-present, Mr. Robert Steen-present.

Also present: Borough Attorney Albert Cruz, CFO Joseph Monzo, Borough Engineer William Tanner, Deputy Clerk Raymond Whitlock, Borough Planner Tamara Lee

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

- Mayor Zimmerman noted that the Council meeting scheduled for March 15, 2010 was cancelled due to the March 13, 2010, storm. Appreciation was extended to all for their patience and efforts during this period. Special gratitude was extended to the Rocky Hill Hook and Ladder Company.
- Mayor Zimmerman and Council President Goldman reported on the recent meeting they attended held by the Board of Chosen Freeholders recognizing Grace Gurisic. Ms. Gurisic was recognized as the first female Mayor of Rocky Hill Borough and was honored on the Fiftieth anniversary of her election to the Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders where she served as the first female elected to the Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

**Appointments -**

Mayor Zimmerman presented the following appointments for advice and consent by Council:

Somerset County Community Development Committee - Martin Engelbrecht - term through 12/31/10

Somerset County Solid Waste Advisory Committee - Michele Zimmerman - term through 12/31/10

Borough Constable - David Dorey - three year term through 12/31/12

Mayor Zimmerman advised that a criminal history check was successfully completed for Mr. Dorey as required.

Motion was made by Hasser with a second by Goldman accepting the appointments as presented by the Mayor. Motion carried on roll call vote - all ayes.

**Proclamation - Parkinson's Awareness Month** - Proclamation recognizing April as Parkinson's Awareness Month in Rocky Hill was presented by Mayor Zimmerman. Request was received for this proclamation from the Collier family (former residents of Rocky Hill).

**Resolution 2010-32 - Recognizing Rocky Hill Hook and Ladder Company** - Mayor Zimmerman presented resolution commending the Rocky Hill Hook and Ladder Company under the direction of Chief Todd Harris and Emergency Management Coordinator Alan Querec for its efforts above and beyond the normal responsibilities of a volunteer fire company for service extended during the storm of March 13,

2010. It was noted that the fire company responded to over 79 calls in a 48 hour period. Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Hasser for the approval of the resolution as presented. Motion carried on roll call vote - all ayes. Mayor Zimmerman advised that Somerset County is awaiting the signing of an emergency declaration by President Obama which will aid in the release of FEMA funding to the County.

**REQUEST OF COUNCIL FOR NEW OR OLD BUSINESS (NOT ON AGENDA)**

None presented.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Special Meeting Minutes – February 22, 2010 - Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Banks for the approval of the minutes as presented. Motion carried on voice vote - all ayes.

Regular Meeting Minutes - March 1, 2010 - Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Banks for the approval of the minutes as presented. Motion carried on voice vote - all ayes.

Special Meeting Minutes - March 19, 2010 - Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Banks for the approval of the minutes contingent upon correction of minor typographical error. Motion carried on voice vote - all ayes.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The floor was opened to the public for comments/questions:

Cliff Moore, Skillman Ave. - Mr. Moore advised that he has sent an email to Congressman Lance due to the fact that he had not received a census form. He related his ongoing problem with receiving mail due to his address situation. Mayor Zimmerman will follow-up with the Census Bureau regarding the issue.

Eileen Uhrig, Knoll Way - Ms. Uhrig related her recent experience with signing up for recreation programs with Montgomery Township wherein she was charged an additional \$30.00 non-resident fee per program. Ms. Uhrig questioned the status of the joint Montgomery/Rocky Hill Recreation Agreement. Mayor Zimmerman provided information on the history of the agreement with Montgomery Township in terms of what the Borough had been charged by Montgomery Township for this shared service in the past (\$2,000/yr.) as opposed to what Montgomery Township is now proposing to charge the Borough (\$5,000/yr.). Borough officials have attempted to come to an agreement with the Township on the fee being proposed to no avail. An analysis of the annual cost being proposed by the Township in relation to the amount of recreation services being used by the Borough residents has been evaluated, and it has been concluded that it would be a lesser cost to the Borough taxpayers to pay the non-resident fee for desired programs. It was noted that the agreement fee being proposed by the Township for the Borough's participation would amount to a .01 cent increase in Borough taxes.

**STATE POLICE REPORT**

State police report dated 3/4/10 for the period January and February 2010 as received by Lt. Skelton of the NJSP was summarized by Council member Pausch (copy on file in the office of the Borough Clerk).

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Report dated 4/5/10 for April 2010 as received by Engineer Tanner and filed in the Borough Clerk's office was distributed. Engineer Tanner provided an overview of the report.

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Van Horne Park Meeting - A copy of the notes taken from the 3/18/10 meeting is attached to this report. It was related that an understanding has been agreed to relative to the collection of fees as follows: the Township will keep one time permit usage fees to cover administrative costs to cover the work by their personnel, however, league fees will be split according to the 80/20 agreement. A response to the Borough's memorandum of understanding as submitted to the Township by Attorney Cruz is still pending.

Montgomery Avenue Resurfacing - Engineer Tanner will put this out to bid with a possible award date for the second meeting in May. An alternate will be included in the bid specifications for curbing on Princeton Ave. and repair of sidewalks on Washington Street.

ARC - Council member Banks reported that ARC is ready to do the parking lot and buffer project with enhancements, however, there are some issues with line of sight and enhancement of the parking area. Question has been raised as to which entity is responsible to do the legal work for the agreement since it relates to Borough property. Council member Banks will confer with Attorney Cruz on this matter.

County Recreational Grant - Engineer Tanner has spoken with the County Grants Coordinator regarding the use of unused grant monies for other projects designated by the Borough, i.e. Panicaro Park project. Mayor Zimmerman will forward a formal request as requested by the County. The proposed plans for the Panicaro Park project will be presented to Mayor and Council by Borough Planner Lee during "Special Business".

Tax Maps - The maps were resubmitted to the State on 4/2/10 addressing additional comments by them. Mayor Zimmerman will follow-up on the approval of the maps with representatives from the Division of Taxation.

Waste Removal Contract - Bids were opened on March 10, 2010. Responses were received from Republic Services of NJ, LLC and Waste Management of New Jersey, Inc. Summary of the bids as prepared by Engineer Tanner and Attorney Cruz was distributed. Recommendation was made for award of the contract to the low bidder, Republic Services of NJ, LLC. Discussion ensued regarding the cost of the current contract and the award options and costs relative to same for a new contract. Recommendation was made by CFO Monzo and Engineer Tanner to award the contract for a five year period in order to set the price. It was the consensus of Council to award the contract to Republic Services of NJ for Option 2 for five (5) years for a total of \$228,509.40, and Option 3 for five (5) years for a total of \$23,000.00 for a five (5) year cumulative total of \$251,509.40. The contract would include a twice a week pick up for 13 weeks and a twice yearly clean up day (option 3). Attorney Cruz will draft a resolution awarding the contract for presentation at the next Council meeting. Engineer Tanner will confirm the start date of the contract.

Sewer Meter /Schafer Tract - Engineer Tanner related that Montgomery Township has denied the Treatment Works Approval Permit Application (TWA) filed by Mr. Schafer due to the fact that they are awaiting approval from the Borough on the construction of a metering permit. Mr. Schafer has agreed to the placement of a meter pit at the end of Grove Street as requested by Montgomery Township (in order that Borough residences that are not metered will be picked up) and sole cost of same will be borne by Mr. Schafer. Engineer Tanner has reviewed the TWA application and offered recommendation for approval of the TWA permit application by Council. Motion was made by Steen with a second by Goldman for the approval of the TWA permit application and authorization of signature by the Mayor and Clerk on same. Motion carried on roll call vote - all ayes. Resolution ratifying Council's action will be prepared for formal adoption at the next Council meeting.

Resolution 2010-32 -Brush/Limb Removal Contract - Quotes were solicited resulting in the receipt of three quotes on March 31, 2010 as follows: JML Landscaping, Neshanic Station NJ - \$185.00/hr; Mastroianni Landscaping Inc., Hopewell, NJ - \$180.00/hr; G&T Landscaping, Hillsborough, NJ - \$300.00/hr. Recommendation was made by Engineer Tanner for award of the contract to Mastroianni Landscaping, Inc. at the rate of \$180.00/hr. Recommendation was also made for the award of the contract for an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 to cover additional hours needed given the large amount of debris

resulting from the recent storm. Discussion ensued regarding the disposition of larger debris. Engineer Tanner will ascertain whether the contractor can offer services for larger debris removal to residents willing to contract independently at the same hourly rate as the quote offered to the Borough. CFO Monzo certified the availability of funds for the award of the contract. Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Steen for the approval of the resolution and award of the contract to Mastroianni Landscaping for an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00. Motion carried on roll call vote – all ayes. The pick-up will be scheduled for Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. The information on the pick-up will be posted on the Borough's website and in the post office. The County workers will be on site on April 11, 2010 to pick up debris on the Borough properties.

Lawn Mowing Quote – Engineer Tanner advised that quotes were solicited, however, due to a problem with the specifications, the project will be sent out again for quotes with a return date of April 14, 2010.

Council comments/questions:

Council member Goldman questioned whether Montgomery Ave. will be shut down during the re-surfacing project. Engineer Tanner advised that the road would not be completely shut down and that flagmen will be on site for traffic direction.

Engineer Tanner will follow-up on having a bi-weekly park clean-up by the County workers as requested by Council member Donahue.

There were no questions/comments presented by the public.

**CFO REPORT**

Addressed under "Special Business – Introduction of 2010 Budget".

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS TO BE PAID**

Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Banks for approval of the bill list dated 4/5/10 as presented. Motion carried on roll call vote – all ayes.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

Tax Collector - February 2010

Tax Collector - Annual Report - 2009

Court Administrator - February 2010

The Court Administrator's report was summarized by Mayor Zimmerman. Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Banks for the acceptance of the reports as presented. Motion carried on voice vote – all ayes.

*(A change in the regular order of agenda business was directed by the Mayor.)*

**SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

**Resolution 2010-34 - Setting 2010 Temporary Budget** - Temporary budget resolution as prepared by CFO Monzo was presented for approval. The temporary budget provides for temporary funding for the next three months (through 6/10). Motion was made by Steen with a second by Goldman approving the resolution as presented. Motion carried on roll call vote – all ayes.

**Introduction: Resolution 2010-36 - Rocky Hill Municipal Budget** – CFO Monzo presented the 2010 Budget Resolution for introduction which was read into the record. It was noted by the Mayor that the

budget is being introduced with a zero municipal property tax increase. Due to the recent loss of State aid funds, an increased amount of surplus funds was utilized in order to avoid a tax increase. It is anticipated that these surplus funds will be re-generated. Auditor Morrison has reviewed the budget and is in agreement with the budget as proposed. CFO Monzo related that municipalities will be required to address best practices criteria in order to receive the remaining State aid. He advised that he will insure that the Borough addresses the criteria in order to obtain the remaining aid. Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Banks to introduce the budget as presented. Motion carried on roll call vote – all ayes. Public hearing scheduled for May 17, 2010, at 7:30 PM in the Borough Hall. Copy of the budget will be posted in the Mary Jacobs Library and on the Borough's website.

**Resolution 2010-35 - Possible Adoption/Execution of Agreement for Police Services - South Bound Brook** - Resolution was presented authorizing Mayor and Clerk to sign a new shared services agreement for police services with South Bound Brook. The terms of the contract to be: term of two years from 3/31/10 with one year renewals at the option of the Borough unless terminated upon written notice 60 days in advance of the renewal date and at the rate of \$3,630.00/month for the first year and \$3,757.00 per month for the second year. Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Pausch for the approval of the resolution as presented. Motion carried on roll call vote – all ayes.

**Resolution 2010-37 - Confirming Resolution of Approval - Sewer Meter** – Resolution was presented ratifying action taken by Council on 3/1/10 awarding contract to Hach, c/o North East Technical Sales, Inc., Harleysville, PA for \$8,770.00 for the installation of a sewer meter in the area of Princeton Ave. Motion carried on roll call vote – all ayes.

**Resolution 2010/Authorizing Sale of Surplus Personal Property** - Resolution was presented authorizing the sale of surplus property, specifically, a Colt Trooper 6' Revolver. Suggestion was made by Council member Goldman to ascertain whether the weapon can be de-activated and put on display in Borough Hall or donated to a museum given the fact that it is part of the history of the Borough (previously used by Borough Marshalls). Borough Clerk Griffiths will follow-up on the suggestion with the New Jersey State Police. No action taken at this time.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Approval of School Board Legal Fees** - Mayor Zimmerman related discussion he has had with Acting NJDEP Commissioner Bret Schundler wherein he has requested the extension of the Montgomery Township temporary school board seat currently being filled by Randie Zimmerman on behalf of the Rocky Hill Board of Education (copy of follow-up request dated 3/5/10 from Mayor Zimmerman to Commissioner Schundler entered into the record) for an additional six months while the court challenge issue has been resolved. Commissioner Schundler has subsequently advised that after consultation with the Attorney General he has been advised that he does not have the authority to render a decision on this request. Mayor Zimmerman will reach out to Senator Bateman for possible assistance and report back to Council. The Mayor advised that the legal fees that have incurred thus far due to this challenge amount to approximately \$12,000.00. Council had previously approved the expenditure of funds not to exceed \$2,000.00, and the RH School Board appropriated \$1,500.00 towards this suit. Approval is requested for the additional funding. It was noted that the Rocky Hill Board of Education reserve money (\$164,000.00) has been turned over to the Borough and has been placed in a reserve account pending the outcome of the suit. Mayor Zimmerman also advised that Special Counsel Giacobbe has advised that there will be no additional charges. Council member Goldman offered that further measures may need to be considered if the challenge is unsuccessful. A resolution amending the previous agreement relative to the funding of this matter will be prepared and presented at the next meeting. Attorney Cruz was requested to research what the process will be if the school board budget fails at the 4/20/10 election, specifically, if the Borough will have input on the budget changes.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Discussion - Preliminary Plans - Panicaro Park** - Borough Planner Tamara Lee presented three concept plans for Panicaro Park on behalf of the Panicaro Park Committee. It is the recommendation of the

Committee that the “Promenade” plan be implemented. Planner Lee provided an overview of the plan which targets the scheme of the park as a memorial park. Mayor and Council were in agreement with the plan recommended by the Committee. The approximate cost of the project as presented is \$15,000.00 dependent upon materials used. It was suggested that crushed cinders be used in lieu of pavers until such time as funds are available to do the pavers. Engineer Tanner will send out quotes for a possible award at the April 19, 2010 meeting of Council. It was recommended that the plan be presented to the Planning Board as a courtesy and notice of the presentation before the Planning Board is to be sent to the surrounding property owners also as a courtesy. Information will also be sent to Mr. Panicaro for his input. Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Hasser for the expenditure of funds from the County Recreational Grant in the amount of \$15,000.00 based on the Promenade scheme as presented. Motion carried on roll call vote – all ayes.

**Bike Race Update** - Tom Licker, Event Coordinator of the Rocky Hill Cycling Classic provided an update on the event scheduled for 6/25-6/27/10 (specifically held in the Borough on 6/26/10 between 7:30 AM and 1:30 PM). Mr. Licker advised that sponsorships need to be solicited and urged support of all in helping with the fund raising efforts. Mr. Licker advised that approval is pending from Montgomery Township and approval from Franklin Township will be obtained after the Borough’s approval. Motion was made by Donahue with a second by Banks granting approval of the date of 6/26/10 for the event and approval of the Borough’s roads for this event. Roll call: Banks-aye, Donahue-aye, Goldman-aye, Hasser-nay, Pausch-aye, Steen-aye. Motion carried. Mr. Licker was requested to report back on the approvals obtained from the other municipalities and to ensure that a sufficient amount of Marshalls are provided this year.

**Rocky Hill Community Group - Request to Change Town-wide Sale Date** - Request was received from Courtney White on behalf of the Community Group for a change to the town-wide sale date from 5/8 to 5/15/10. The change in date is requested to better coordinate the event with the spring clean-up date and due to another event scheduled for 5/8/10. Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Hasser approving the change in date. Council member Pausch will inform the NJSP and South Bound Brook Police Department of the event.

**Somerset County - Municipal Shred Day** - Mayor Zimmerman provided information on a mobile paper shredding service program being offered by Somerset County to Somerset County residents. The County is requesting that municipalities schedule two shred days of four hours each and coordinate the days with a neighboring community. Clerk Griffiths will coordinate dates with the Montgomery Township Clerk.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Administration & Records** – Council member Goldman reported that website visits are up by 9%. Ms. Goldman provided information obtained on visits made to the website; it was related that most recent hits have been from the Princeton area. Disaster assistance contact information has been posted on the website.

**Buildings & Grounds** – Council member Donahue reported that the Easter Egg Hunt was well attended. Appreciation was extended to all who helped with cleaning up the grounds for the event. It was noted that a considerable amount of Montgomery Township residents attended the event. Discussion ensued regarding whether fees will need to be imposed for non-resident activities to include a permit process for the use of the tennis courts.

**Finance & Insurance** – Addressed during special business – budget introduction.

**Public Safety & Emergency Services** – Council member Pausch advised that newly appointed Constable Dorey has been provided with a radio and gear. Mayor Zimmerman expressed his gratitude to Councilman Pausch for his assistance with the road closures during the recent storm.

**Streets & Roads** – Council member Hasser related that she has been in contact with the County in regard to the pedestrian crossing signs. The County has related that our signs are not serviceable due to the fact that they don’t meet current standards. The cost for replacement will be \$285.00/sign. Suggestion was made to explore the use of decals on the remaining signs from last year. Discussion ensued over the need and placement of the signs. Ms. Hasser will report back on the Borough’s options after further consultation with the County.

**Water, Sewer & Environmental Protection** – February Utility Report dated 3/15/10 as prepared by Superintendent Merk was summarized by Council member Steen.

**Council Representative to Planning Board** – Council member Goldman provided information on applications reviewed by the Board. The fee ordinance relative to historic preservation permits is under review by the Board.

**Council Liaison to Education Committee** – Addressed under Special Business

**Zoning Officer** – Zoning Official Whitlock reported on inquiries pertaining to a roof replacement and salon sign. Direction has been provided to the property owners.

**Grants Committee** – Council member Pausch advised that he has been in contact with County Grants Coordinator Denise Katula who has related that the Athletic Grants will not be funded this year. Mr. Pausch has been checking grant updates on-line. Engineer Tanner reported that he is in the process of setting up appointments relative to the County solar energy grant program. Mayor Zimmerman advised that he received an email inquiry from a resident requesting participation in the plan. Engineer Tanner advised that program is for municipal entities, however, he will look into alternate programs available to property owners. In response to question raised by Council member Goldman, Engineer Tanner advised that projects considered under the solar energy program will be presented to the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) if applicable and the Borough's Planning Board for review.

**Board of Health** – Council member Goldman advised that the rabies clinic is scheduled for 4/10/10 between 12:00 noon – 2:00 pm at the Rocky Hill firehouse. Ms. Goldman provided statutory reference pertaining to the Council's obligation to conduct a bi-annual animal census. It was related that monies are available in the animal trust fund to cover the cost of the survey. Suggestion was made to hire one or two individuals at a rate of \$10.00/hr. to conduct the animal census survey. Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Steen for the expenditure of funds not to exceed \$500.00 from the animal trust fund. An ad will be posted on the website for the position(s).

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Communications as listed were distributed, disseminated and filed accordingly.

#### **FINAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

The floor was opened to the public for comments/questions:

**Peggy Harris**, Crescent Ave. – Ms. Harris advised that dog censuses were done in the past by the Borough Constables and questioned the need to hire additional personnel. Mayor Zimmerman will speak to the constables about conducting the census and report back. Posting of the positions tabled at this time.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – Resolution 2010-38 – Contract Discussions – Montgomery Township Sewer Negotiations** – Resolution to enter into executive session for purposes as outlined above was read into the record by Borough Clerk Griffiths. Motion was made by Steen with a second by Banks for approval of the resolution. Motion carried on roll call vote – all ayes. (10:25PM)

#### **RESULTS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION (if any)** (11:07PM)

Results of executive session not available to the public at this time.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion was made by Goldman with a second by Banks to adjourn the meeting at 11:07 PM. All voted in favor of adjournment.

Respectfully submitted:

Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk



## Borough of Rocky Hill New Jersey

### PROCLAMATION

Mayor  
Edward P. Zimmerman

Council President  
Linda Goldman

Council Members  
James Banks  
Jeff Donahue  
Julia Hasser  
Mark Pausch  
Robert Steen

Chief Financial Officer  
Joseph Monzo

Tax Collector  
Donna Griffiths

Assessor  
George Sopko

Engineer  
Neil I. Van Cleef

Borough Magistrate  
Eric Perkins

Borough Clerk  
Donna Griffiths

Deputy Borough Clerk  
Raymond E. Whitlock, Jr.

Borough Attorney  
Albert E. Cruz

Prosecutor  
Raymond J. Stine

**WHEREAS**, Parkinson's disease is a progressive disorder of the central nervous system, affecting more than one and a half million people in the United States; and

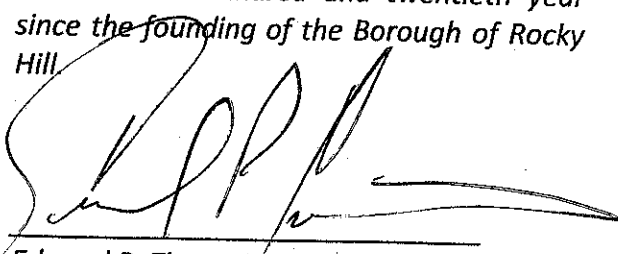
**WHEREAS**, The American Parkinson Disease Association, Inc., founded in 1961, has sought to "Ease the Burden and Find the Cure" for this disease through research, patient and family services, education and sponsorship of 53 Chapters, 62 Information and Referral Centers, and almost 1,000 support groups throughout the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the world, the nation, and Somerset County in the state of New Jersey observe April as Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month; and;

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Rocky Hill recognizes the efforts of the New Jersey Chapter to raise funds and promote awareness to fight Parkinson's disease, thereby improving the quality of life for those living with the disease;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in recognition of the indispensable services of the American Parkinson Disease Association, Inc. to the residents of the Borough of Rocky Hill, I do hereby proclaim April as Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month in the Borough of Rocky Hill, and

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereon to set my hand and caused the Seal of the Borough of Rocky Hill to be affixed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year two thousand ten and the one hundred and twentieth year since the founding of the Borough of Rocky Hill.

  
Edward P. Zimmerman, MAYOR

All bills and communications should be sent to

Donna Griffiths - Borough Clerk  
P.O. Box 188, New Jersey 08553-0188  
Tel: (609) 924-7445  
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**Borough of Rocky Hill  
County of Somerset**

**Resolution 2010 -32**

WHEREAS, on March 13<sup>th</sup> 2010, the Borough of Rocky Hill in the County of Somerset did experience one of the worst storms in decades, and

WHEREAS, the storm of March 13<sup>th</sup> 2010, did cause flooding and property damage, including a significant number of fallen trees and broken power lines, and

WHEREAS, the storm of March 13<sup>th</sup> 2010, did cause power to be out in all of the Borough for 24 hours and in parts of the Borough for almost three days, and

WHEREAS, the Rocky Hill Hook & Ladder Company, under the direction of Chief Todd Harris and assisted by Emergency Management Coordinator Alan Querec did respond to over 79 calls in a 48 hour period including a life saving water rescue in Franklin Township, and

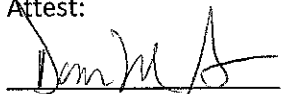
WHEREAS, the members of the Rocky Hill Hook & Ladder Company did respond to over 45 Rocky Hill residences for basement pump outs to help minimize property damage for our residents, doing so with little rest and no complaints, and

WHEREAS, the professionalism, courage, hard work and dedication of the members of the Rocky Hill Hook & Ladder Company has caused many residents of Rocky Hill to publicly express their gratitude

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill does officially commend the Rocky Hill Hook & Ladder Company for its efforts above and beyond the normal responsibilities of a Volunteer Fire Department, and expresses its sincere and heartfelt gratitude for their continued dedicated service to protecting lives and property in the Borough and neighboring communities, and

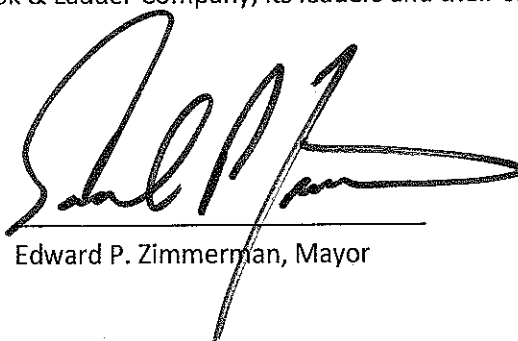
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of the meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill this day as an expression of the Mayor and Borough Council's gratitude for the Rocky Hill Hook & Ladder Company, its leaders and their continued service.

Attest:



Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk

By:



Edward P. Zimmerman, Mayor

Dated: April 5, 2010

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Donna M. Griffiths, Clerk, of the Borough of Rocky Hill, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill on April 5, 2010.

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Donna M. Griffiths, RMC

Borough Clerk

**RESOLUTION 2010 - 33**

**BOROUGH OF ROCKY HILL  
SOMERSET COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Rocky Hill desires to enter into a contract for brush and tree limb removal service; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has solicited quotes for this work because the work is below the bid threshold; and

**WHEREAS**, the following quotes have been received:

- JML Landscaping Inc., Neshanic Station, NJ - \$185.00/hour;
- Mastroianni Landscaping Inc., Hopewell, NJ - \$180.00/hour;
- G&T Landscaping Inc., Hillsborough, NJ - \$300.00/hour; and

**WHEREAS**, the quote that is most advantageous to the Borough is that of Mastroianni Landscaping Inc. at a price of \$180.00/hour; and

**WHEREAS**, there are sufficient funds in the Borough's budget to pay for these services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Borough of Rocky Hill awards a contract to Mastroianni Landscaping Inc. to perform the following services: brush and tree limb removal. The term of the contract shall be for one calendar year from the date of award at \$180.00/hour (not to exceed \$5,000.00).

2. That there are sufficient funds in the Borough of Rocky Hill budget for this purchase as certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ATTEST:

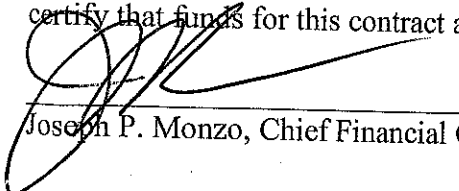
By: 

Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk

By: 

Edward P. Zimmerman, Mayor

I, Joseph P. Monzo, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Rocky Hill do hereby  
certify that funds for this contract are available from: \_\_\_\_\_.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph P. Monzo, Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Donna M. Griffiths, Clerk of the Borough of Rocky Hill do hereby certify the  
foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council  
on April 5, 2010.

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Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk

**2010-34**  
**ROCKY HILL BOROUGH**  
**SOMERSET COUNTY**  
**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF ROCKY HILL,**  
**COUNTY OF SOMERSET, NEW JERSEY, SETTING THE**  
**2010 TEMPORARY BUDGET**

**WHEREAS**, Section 40A-4-19 provides that temporary appropriations may be made to provide for the period between the beginning of the budget year and the date of adoption of the budget; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council passed a temporary budget on January 4, 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2010 budget has not been adopted and the borough must meet its financial obligations until that time

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, at a meeting held April 5, 2010 that the following temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer after adoption.

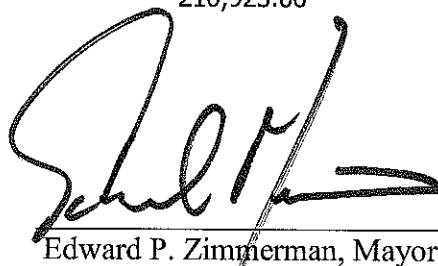
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION - OTHER EXPENSE	8,794.00
MAYOR AND COUNCIL - OTHER EXPENSE	1,313.00
MUNICIPAL CLERK - SALARY AND WAGES	6,443.00
MUNICIPAL CLERK - OTHER EXPENSE	788.00
FINANCIAL ADMINI- SALARY AND WAGES	3,839.00
AUDIT SERVICES - CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	4,200.00
TAX COLLECTION - SALARY AND WAGE	2,291.00
TAX COLLECTION - OTHER EXPENSE	263.00
TAX ASSESSMENT - SALARY AND WAGES	1,812.00
TAX ASSESSMENT - OTHER EXPENSE	263.00
LEGAL SERVICES - OTHER EXPENSE	6,563.00
ENGINEERING SERVICES - OTHER EXPENSE	7,875.00
PLANNING BOARD - SALARY AND WAGES	2,704.00

PLANNING BOARD - OTHER EXPENSE	8,875.00
COAH -SALARY AND WAGES	271.00
COAH - OTHER EXPENSE	53.00
POLICE- SALARIES AND WAGES	2,866.00
POLICE- OTHER EXPENSES	1,575.00
LIABILITY INSURANCE - OTHER EXPENSE	16,538.00
WORKER S COMPENSATION INS. - OTHER EXPEN	3,150.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - OTHER EXPENSE	525.00
AID TO VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES - CONTRI	6,563.00
AID TO VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE COMPANIES - C	6,563.00
FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU - SALARY AND WAGE	1,014.00
FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU - OTHER EXPENSE	131.00
MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR - SALARY & WAGES	1,622.00
STREETS AND ROAD- OTHER EXPENSES	16,538.00
GARBAGE AND TRASH-OTHER EXPENSE	11,813.00
RECYCLING - OTHER EXPENSE	6,300.00
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS - OTHER EXPENSE	9,666.00
BOARD OF HEALTH- SALARIES AND WAGES	105.00
Board of Health- OE-Contractual	6,038.00
Board of Health-OE-Miscellaneous	656.00
RECREATION SVS AND PROGRAMS - OTHER EXPE	2,704.00
MAINTENANCE OF PARKS - OTHER EXPENSE	5,250.00
ELECTRICITY - OTHER EXPENSE	1,181.00
STREET LIGHTING - OTHER EXPENSE	2,625.00
SIDEWALK MAINT-OTHER EXPENSES	9,647.00
FIRE HYDRANT SERVICE-OTHER EXPENSES	735.00
TELEPHONE - OTHER EXPENSE	

	656.00
HEATING OIL - OTHER EXPENSE	1,050.00
WATER & SEWER - OTHER EXPENSE	79.00
PERS- OTHER EXPENSES	5,497.00
SOCIAL SECURITY - OTHER EXPENSE	2,074.00
LOSAP-Length of Service Award Program	22,125.00
MUNICIPAL COURT - SALARY AND WAGES	6,083.00
MUNICIPAL COURT - OTHER EXPENSE	1,181.00
FREE COUNTY LIBRARY-OTHER EXPENSES	2,625.00
Shade Tree Committee-Other Expenses	788.00
PUBLIC DEFENDER - OTHER EXPENSE	263.00
SOUTH BD BROOK- OTHER EXPENSES	12,600.00
PERS	7,221.00
Total	210,923.00

Attest:

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Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk

  
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Edward P. Zimmerman, Mayor

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Donna M. Griffiths, Clerk, of the Borough of Rocky Hill do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill on April 5, 2010.

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Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk

**EXPLANATION:** This Resolution authorizes Mayor and Clerk to sign a new Shared Police Services Agreement for police services.

**RESOLUTION 2010 - 35**

**BOROUGH OF ROCKY HILL  
SOMERSET COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., authorizes municipalities to enter into contracts with any other municipality for the provision of services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Shared Police Services Agreement between the Borough of Rocky Hill and the Borough of South Bound Brook for police services expires on March 31, 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, both parties desire to renew the Shared Police Services Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2010, the Borough of South Bound Brook authorized a new Shared Police Services Agreement with the Borough of Rocky Hill; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Rocky Hill desires to enter into a new Shared Police Services Agreement for police services with the Borough of South Bound Brook for a term of two (2) years from March 31, 2010, with one (1) year renewals at the option of Rocky Hill unless terminated upon written notice sixty (60) days in advance of the renewal date; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Rocky Hill shall compensate the Borough of South Bound Brook at a rate of \$3,630.00 per month for the first year for a total of \$43,560.00, and at a rate of \$3,757.00 per month for the second year for a total of \$45,085.00 as described in Schedule A attached to the Shared Police Services Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill are of the opinion that it is in the best interest of its citizens to enter into a new Shared Police Services Agreement with the Borough of South Brook for police services.

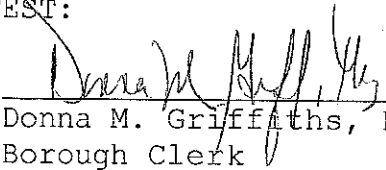


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

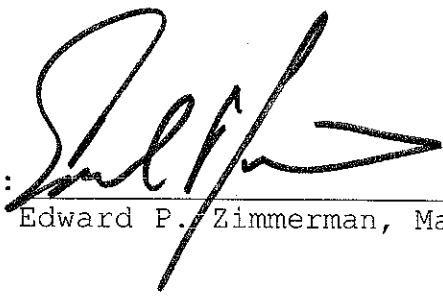
1. That the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign the Shared Police Services Agreement between the Borough of South Bound Brook and the Borough of Rocky Hill for police services in the form attached to this Resolution.
2. This Resolution takes effect immediately.

ATTEST:

By:

  
Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk

By:

  
Edward P. Zimmerman, Mayor

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Donna M. Griffiths, Clerk of the Borough of Rocky Hill, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council on April 5, 2010.

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Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk

**Borough of Rocky Hill  
County of Somerset**

**Resolution 2010-36**

**Municipal Budget of the Borough of Rocky Hill, County of Somerset, for  
the Fiscal Year 2010**

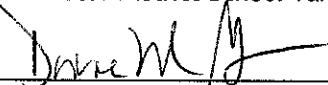
Be it resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2010,

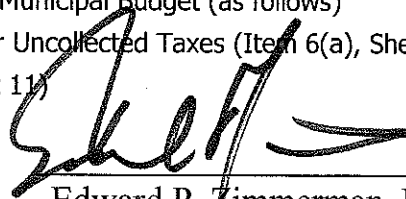
Be it further resolved, that said budget be published in the Courier News in the issue of April 15 , 2010,

The Governing Body of the Borough of Rocky Hill does hereby approve the following as the budget for the year 2010,

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill, County of Somerset on April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010. A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at Borough Hall on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 7:30 pm at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2010 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

General Appropriations	xxxxxxxxxx.xx
1. Appropriations within "CAPS"	xxxxxxxxxx.xx
(a) Municipal Purposes {(Item H-1, Sheet 19)(N.J.S. 40A:4-45.2)}	609,330.00
2. Appropriations excluded from "CAPS"	xxxxxxxxxx.xx
(a) Municipal Purposes {(Item H-2, Sheet 28)(N.J.S. 40A:4-45.3 as amended)}	221,956.00
(b) Local School District Purposes in Municipal Budget (Item K, Sheet 29)	-
Total General Appropriations excluded from "CAPS" (Item O, Sheet 29)	221,956.00
3. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Item M, Sheet 29) - Based on Estimated 96.7 of tax collections	77,478.76
4. Total General Appropriations (Item 9, Sheet 29)	908,764.76
5. Less: Anticipated Revenues Other Than Current Property Tax (Item 5, Sheet 11)	
(i.e. Surplus, Miscellaneous Revenues and Receipts from Delinquent Taxes)	455,666.00
6. Difference: Amounts to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget (as follows)	xxxxxxxxxx.xx
a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Item 6(a), Sheet 11)	453,098.76
(b) Addition to Local District School Tax (Item 6(b), Sheet 11)	-

By:   
Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Clerk

  
Edward P. Zimmerman, Mayor

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Donna M. Griffiths, Clerk, of the Borough of Rocky Hill do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill on April 5, 2010.

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Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk

**RESOLUTION 2010 - 37**

**BOROUGH OF ROCKY HILL  
SOMERSET COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Rocky Hill desires to enter into a contract for the installation of a sewer meter; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has solicited quotes for this work because the work is below the bid threshold; and

**WHEREAS**, quote was received as follows:

- Hach, c/o North East Technical Sales, Inc., 171 Ruth Rd., Harleysville PA – \$8,770.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the quote that is most advantageous to the Borough is that of Hach, c/o North East Technical Sales, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, the total value of these services for the year 2010 is less than \$17,500 and, therefore, these services are exempt from the Local Unit Pay-to-Play law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-27.7 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, there are sufficient funds in the Borough's budget to pay for these services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Borough of Rocky Hill hereby confirms the award of contract made on March 1, 2010 by way of formal motion for an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 to Hach, c/o North East Technical Sales, Inc., 171 Ruth Rd., Harleysville PA for the following purpose: Installation of sewer meter in the area of Princeton Ave. in the amount of \$8,770.00.
2. That there are sufficient funds in the Borough of Rocky Hill budget for this purchase as certified by the Chief Financial Officer.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ATTEST:

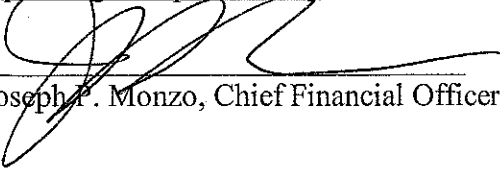
By: 

Donna M. Griffiths, BMC  
Borough Clerk

By: 

Edward P. Zimmerman, Mayor

I, Joseph P. Monzo, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Rocky Hill do hereby certify that funds for this contract are available from: 08-201-45-800-199 – Utility Operating – Capital Outlay.

  
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Joseph P. Monzo, Chief Financial Officer

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Donna M. Griffiths, Clerk of the Borough of Rocky Hill do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council on April 5, 2010

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Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk

EXPLANATION: THIS RESOLUTION ALLOWS THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO RETIRE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

BOROUGH OF ROCKY HILL

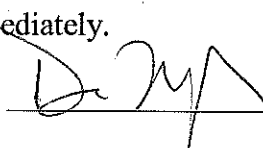
RESOLUTION 2010 - 38

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) (1-9) permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council is of the opinion that such circumstances exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Rocky Hill, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of and action on the executive Session of April 5, 2010.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
  - Contract Discussions – Montgomery Township – Sewer NegotiationsMinutes of said discussion will be made available as soon as it is deemed in the public interest to do so.
3. The Borough Council may take official action on those items discussed in executive session upon completion of the executive session.
4. This Resolution takes effect immediately.

  
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Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Donna M. Griffiths, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Rocky Hill, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a regular meeting of said Council held on April 5, 2010.

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Donna M. Griffiths, RMC  
Borough Clerk